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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Service: TV
KRDO-DT Digital Channel 24
Community of License: Colorado Springs, CO.
CP File #: BMPCDT-20050408ABJ , STA FILE # : BEDSTA-20050621CTS
Station Facility ID No.: 52579
MB Docket No. 03-15

Applying the guidelines of Public Notice DA 05-1636 published June 15th, 2005, The Pikes Peak Broadcasting Company requests a temporary extension of the Construction Permit expiration date of October 19th, 2005 as required by MB Docket No. 03-15, paragraph 84, *Second DTV Periodic Review Report and Order*, and a waiver of loss of interference protection as stipulated in ¶ 85. Paragraphs 83 and 87 allow for a deadline waiver for "circumstances beyond a station's control" which we document below. The above captioned STA, to continue to operate with low power, was "accepted for filing" on 07/15/2005.

All the equipment necessary to begin transmission at the required power level has been delivered. The Dielectric antenna and transmission line are presently in storage in Colorado Springs and the Larcan transmitter has been installed and is ready for on site testing by factory personnel. However, the factory team assigned to "proof" the transmitter is engaged in the rebuilding effort presently under way in Louisiana from damage caused by hurricane Katrina. Furthermore the site did not pass the initial City of Colorado Springs electrical installation inspection and this has delayed the power drop to the building, which in turn delayed the antenna and transmission line installation by the rigging crew, Rex Industries. We have Dielectric, Inc. in the wings to sweep the antenna after it is installed on the tower.

To date we have timely filed FCC Forms 381 and 382 demonstrating our commitment to the DTV build out requirement. KRDO-DT presently exceeds the community coverage requirement of § 73.625(a) and has met the mandated PSIP and minimum operating hours (§ 73.624) deadlines.

Documentation of orders and delivery are available if requested and further information maybe addressed to Neil Klockziem, G.M., n.klockziem@krdotv.com or Joe Reed, C.E. j.reed@krdotv.com, 719-632-1515.

Although a temporary extension of six months is allowed under DA 05-1636 we are certain that full service DTV broadcasting, as required by the Construction Permit, will commence no later than November 19th, 2005. Our number one priority is to complete the build out of the Construction Permit facilities as expeditiously as possible

Sincerely,

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The Pikes Peak Broadcasting Company

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